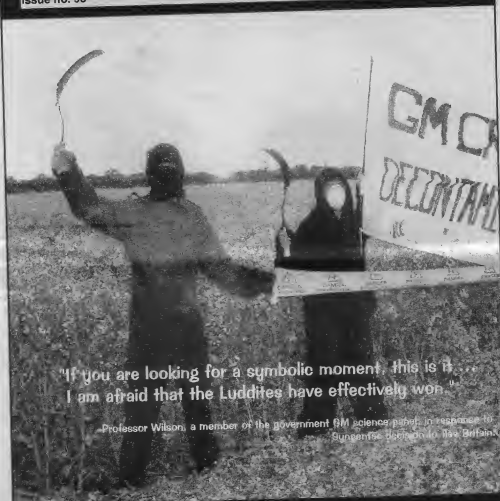


# Earth First!

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"If you are looking for a symbolic moment, this is it ...  
I am afraid that the Luddites have effectively won."

Professor Wilson, a member of the government GM science panel, in response to  
Surreptitious destruction of GM crops in Britain

## Action Update

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*"Earth First! is not a cohesive group or campaign, but a convenient banner for people who share similar ideas to work under. The general principles behind EF! are non-hierarchical organisation and the use of direct action to confront, stop and eventually reverse the forces that are responsible for the destruction of the Earth and its inhabitants."*

## Winning the (GM) Battle...

### Losing the (Eco) War?

On the 1st of July a story in the Telegraph announced that Syngenta, the last big company carrying out GM research in Britain, is moving out. *"Academics said the departure of Syngenta, with the loss of 100 jobs, marked the final nail in the coffin for GM research in Britain."* This is a major victory - one GM crop trial in the ground this year and all the big GM corporations backing out! This, lets remember, was the year we were meant to see GM commercialisation. Coming on the back of the victory against Bayer (see AU 92) Syngenta closing its UK GM wing will have an effect across the board. As one Government GM adviser put it: *"Anyone who isn't about to retire will leave the country. We are all feeling, 'What the hell is the point.'"* This is not just a matter of corporate economics. The active destruction of experiments and the general climate of opposition is putting of new blood. *"Prof Anthony Trewavas said morale in the plant science community was at an all-time low. 'We are noticing a reduction in students wanting to do molecular courses."*

*They don't see a career in it anymore. All they hear is antagonism and anxiety."* So if you've dug up a GM field, smashed a Bayer window, occupied Monsanto's office or visited a biotech director - give yourself a slap on the back. The day of the newspaper report supermarket depots were blockaded simultaneously across the country. No wonder Syngenta think it time to lock up shop! Another bit of news in July is less joyful. The huge seabird colonies in the Northern Isles of our little archipelago are undergoing a crash. Ten of thousands of breeding pairs of Guillemots, Skuas etc are bringing forth only a few chicks. These are one of Britain's last bastions of wildness and it looks like climate change is doing them in. Rising sea temperatures have reached a threshold, the sandeels have moved north and suddenly there is almost nothing to eat. The north Sea has got 2 degrees warmer in the last 20 years - EF! in Britain has been active for over half that period! Let reality be the grinding stone with which we sharpen our hatred of industrial civilisation.

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**In Brief:** The Italian police have arrested and jailed activists alleged to be connected to the militant anti-civilisation eco mag Terra Selvaggio \* 22.7.04 A marine quarrying company in East Grinstead was left with glued front door locks and windows flyposted with the message, 'Beware, direct action looms on the horizon. No to the Destruction of the East Channel. Back out!' \* 1/8/04 Rod Coronado, the Native American eco-warrior/Animal Liberationist whose 2002 UK speaking tour inspired many, has been banned from entering Britain. \*

# New Forest defeats New Port

*To widespread surprise, early summer saw the state backing down and cancelling the creation of a £600 million 'super-port' at Dibden Bay on the South Coast. As late as the end of February newspapers were reporting an expected government approval '...despite the threat of legal action by conservationists and mass protests from hardline eco-warriors.'* (Independent 22/2/04)

Planned as Britain's biggest new container port, it would have murdered a precious ecosystem to expand the transportation of dead commodities. Dibden Bay is home to dozens of rare and threatened birds, including the lapwing, skylark and reed bunting, as well as 88 rare or scarce insects, including two very rare beetles and bumble bees, and rare coastal grasses.

The victory was won by a diversity of tactics -



but chief among them was the threat of direct action. Press releases from the FoE national office claimed that 'The tactics seen in the anti-road campaigns of the 1990's - physically blocking vehicles and machinery - could well happen.' Numerous press reports stated that activists were drafting plans for blockades and occupations of the site. The Port Authority

obviously took the threat seriously; in March the 200 hectare site was fenced off and aggressive security patrols were put in place. Locally and regionally mobilisation was happening - though maybe not as much as the hype would make one believe.

Members of New Forest FoE had stated they would be up for doing a camp and had requested direct action training. As a result EFLers from Brighton were due to visit the week the victory came through.

One feature of the campaign was the location of Dibden Bay within the New Forest National Park - due to be launched this summer. For this reason the aborted confrontation will have an effect on sites far beyond Dibden.

*'One priority that can definitely be set is confronting corporations in the National Parks... The National Parks are immensely important and the hold they have over popular imagination makes them easier to organise around than other areas... It should be our job to make them scared enough to retreat - at least out of some of the National Parks.'* (Do or Die, #10, p 64)

Hopefully the Dibden victory will deter other developments as the Nine Ladies action camp undeniably has done in the Peak District National Park. One note of caution though - this success along with other recent victories (the stalling of GM crop commercialisation most importantly) may be partly due to government attempts to avoid threats to social peace in the run up to the next election. After that gameshow some of these horrors might come back for round two.

## Islanders and Environmentalists defeat Super-Quarry

In April the Aggregate multinational Lafarge finally gave up its plans to build Europe's biggest Super Quarry. The quarry would have turned a mountain on the Hebridean island of Harris into a sea loch. The campaign has been one of Britain's longest running environmental battles with plans first put forward in 1991.



## Finnish Anti-Road Arson

*The following is a communique from an action that happened against the construction of a superhighway in Finland. Three of the large earth movers (large trucks for transporting earth) were destroyed by fire, but two of the incendiary devices failed to ignite. Damages were estimated at around 100,000 euros.*

May 2004, Tampere Ring Highway:

"More and more roads are being built everyday and cities everywhere are quickly expanding, forcing us to adapt to the desires of the state and corporations. The highway that is being constructed in the city of Tampere is just one of these projects. In the early morning of May the 5th, we placed incendiary devices inside five earth-movers hoping to cause as much economic damage as possible to the project.

We want to make it clear that it is not only this specific project we are against, but all capitalist developments and industrialization itself.

Projects like this mainly provide for the more efficient transport of labour and commodities, which benefits the economy, but not us. The destruction of our natural environment and our neighborhoods alienates us from each other and from ourselves, and our ability to live self sustainable lives are taken from us.

Some call this drive for the development of our living spaces progress, but this "progress" more and more is resembling a locomotive with no brakes hurling towards an abyss. It is time for us to decide if we will live with these changes, or if we will begin to fight against them."

## Page Four Tree: Sweet Chestnut

*Native to Southern Europe but introduced to Britain by the Romans, the Sweet Chestnut is one of the most versatile trees.*



It grows in southern England where it is effectively coppiced producing a broad range of timber products. The most common usage is to make fence posts with a natural tannin that enables the wood to last much longer than other species.

One of the best things about the sweet chestnut are the nuts themselves that can be picked from older trees in October when they are ripe. These nuts are delicious roasted on a fire; this is done by splitting the skins of all the nuts bar one and placing them in the hot ash of a fire, when the uncut nut pops the others will be ready to eat.

Except on particularly hot summers the chestnuts do not ripen fully except in the warmer South East of the country; however the oldest dated tree is just north of Inverness and was planted in 1550.

The Sweet chestnut remains about the only good thing the Romans did for us and long may this wonderful and most useful tree remain.

## Dissent - Gleneagles for G8

*Dissent! A Network of Resistance Against the G8 was formed in the autumn of 2003. The Network is calling for groups and individuals to converge on Scotland in July 2005 to shut down the G8 Summit to be held at Gleneagles, Perthshire in Scotland.*

Following months of speculation over the location of the 2005 G8 Summit in the UK, and reports that all police leave in Edinburgh and Scotland will be cancelled next summer, the Gleneagles hotel [official website] in Perthshire, Scotland has finally been confirmed as the venue (G8 dates: 6th-8th July 2005).

Over the last 15 years, G8 summits have been characterized by waves of growing protests uniting 100,000's of people worldwide urging the dismantling of the G8 and the economic system it perpetuates.

This years G8 summit recently took place at the secluded resort of Sea Island, Georgia, USA. Here in the UK, activists took action in solidarity with the protestors across the pond. In Cardiff, a section of the main shopping street was reclaimed by protestors for the afternoon.

In Nottingham a critical mass bike ride around the city was followed the next day, by a blockade of the oil terminal at Colwick. In Worthing, a new autonomous social centre was opened in an abandoned nightclub, while Norwich and Ipswich anarchists staged protests as well as an anti-G8 rebel football match.

Next on the agenda is a roadshow facilitated by people from Dissent! involving info/entertainment/ education events in Sept/Oct 2004. This is a call out to ask local groups to get involved. We are currently looking for groups or individuals that would be interested in finding host groups and venues for evening events and day workshops. email: [roadshow@riseup.net](mailto:roadshow@riseup.net)

The next Dissent! Gathering will take place in Edinburgh on 17th-19th September 2004.

Come along and get involved!

[www.dissent.org.uk](http://www.dissent.org.uk)



## Sea Shepherd in Galapagos

*Sea Shepherd once stated that 'If EFI is Mother Earth's army, then we are her navy.' They presently have two large boats out on seas confronting whalers, driftnetters and their ilk. They have sunk and rammed many!*

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While a global organisation, Sea Shepherd has made the Galapagos Islands (classified by Myers et al as a Biodiversity hotspot) one of it's global priorities. The diversity that inspired the theory of evolution is under threat in a frontier 'fish rush'. SSCS has a patrol boat permanently stationed which acts against industrial boats in the Marine reserve. Thousands of fishworkers from Ecuador have moved to the Islands in recent years and this Summer saw a tense stand off. Hundreds of armed fisherman laid siege to the nature reserve HQ, effectively took SSCS activists hostage and threatened to BBQ 'Lonesome George' - a turtle who is the last of his species. SSCS seem to have won their recent campaign and the fishing companies are losing in the face of international pressure. No Compromise in Defence of Sea Cucumbers!

## Solidarity South Pacific

*SSP is a campaign that primarily supports the West Papuan tribal resistance, EFI and indigenous peoples in the Philippines and the Bougainville Revolution.*

### Election Boycott Pickets

Since the '97 Insurrection toppled dictator Suharto, W.Papua's have had to vote for their executioners. Voting is compulsory - and enforced - but this year both Parliamentary elections and Presidential elections saw massive boycotts. Fearing crackdowns SSP did two small pickets of the Indonesian Embassy in April and July. The Papuan majority boycotted both elections, demos were held, a boat carrying the ballot papers was sunk and voting stations attacked by the OPM. Our July 5th demo saw 20 picketing the embassy. As the expat Indonesians turned up to vote they were confronted with banners reading 'Free West Papua' and 'Solidarity with the OPM'. Pickets in Holland, USA and Australia as well.

### Plantation Pushers Targeted

On 6/7/04 at 9am 8 of us did a 'lightning demo' against CDC in London, unfurling a banner which proclaimed 'PLANTATIONS ARE CORPORATE COLONIALISM AND ECOCIDE'. After chaining up their entrance doors we left, seeing little point in waiting for the cops to turn up. The action was carried out at the request of environmentalists in Papua New Guinea (PNG). CDC is a government body that funds projects which transform living land and relatively autonomous subsistence cultures into profit making resources for the global industrial system. It is THE player in oil palm expansion in PNG, a major threat to forests and peoples.

### Norwich Activists Convicted

In June this year two activists on trial for an office occupation of Indonesian timber agents CIPTA last July were found guilty of section 5 of the public order act. They received conditional discharges and fines of £300 between them. The occupation ruined the day of the office manager Sarah Rushton who (quote) "couldn't care less" about what is happening in the Indonesian Rainforest and occupied West Papua. One of the defendants said after the trial they were "sorry they caused her minor

distress and alarm by visiting Cipta. Under the circumstances it is the least we could do."

### W.Papua Prisoner Support

Dozens of West Papuans are in jail for resistance. In May there was a Prisoner Support week where people both wrote to prisoners and rung the prisons. This work has been very successful in securing better conditions and, for some release. Good news, ex-prisoner Benny Wenda has gained Asylum in Britain.

### Philippine Forest Protection

The Manobo Tribe have set up 'Protection Volunteer Groups (PVG)' to patrol their forests against loggers and have been struggling to gain title to their ancestral land. In July they achieved this, describing it as 'a momentous event' in their struggle for self determination. They are aware this is not the answer to all their problems - it will have no impact on the illegal logging of their land for example - only the PVGs can do this. Yet there is no doubt that this is very good news. SSP is continuing to raise cash to fund the PVGs having already sent some money for equipment and training.

### Medicine and Radical Books

SSP is continuing to provide medical aid after our delivery of thousands of pounds of equipment and medicines to W.Papuan refugees last year. In April we were given £2,000 + of sealed surgical stitches (sutures). A third has gone to W.Papua, and the remainder divided up between Zapatista solidarity and our future shipment of medical aid to Bougainville. The latter will be in the next 6 months; donations of money and supplies are needed. On top of 'war aid' we are launching a project, at the request of radicals in PNG, to collect and send four books etc into their country. The capital's four bookshops are owned by (US) christian sects, you can't buy a book about evolution, never mind anarchy - anywhere in the land. Gen enquires/Brighton - ssp@eco-action.org Nottingham - nottinghamssp@yahoo.co.uk Leeds - leedssp@yahoo.co.uk Manchester - manchestersp@yahoo.co.uk London - londonwildfire@wildmail.com For a newsletter SAE to: SSP (Brighton), Prior House, Tilbury Place, Brighton, BN2 2GY. Subscribe to our list at [www.eco-action.org/ssp](http://www.eco-action.org/ssp).

## North American ELF

### Utah Lumber Yard Torched

The fire targeted Stock Building Supply and caused \$1.5 million in damages on 17/6/04. A communique received by fax by a local news outlet read: "Stock Building Supply in WJ, Utah was targeted...we will continue in our mission to stop large companies from destroying the environment. If you build it we will burn it! stop destroying mother earth."

### War on 4x4s continues

Five Hummer 4x4 vehicles were sprayed with ELF and their tyres slashed and windows smashed in Fayetteville Arkansas. Weirdly there was a sandwich also shoved into one of the fuel tanks.

Nine 4x4s were covered with crystalline acid powder in Bloomington Indiana. This powder corroded the windscreens and paintwork causing thousands of dollars worth of damage.

The ELF communique stated that "the cost of arrogant gas guzzling just went up".

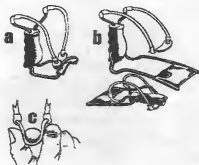
### Bulldozer Burnt

ELF activists burnt out a bulldozer in Charlottesville, Indiana where work was commencing on clearfelling an area of thirty acres of woodland for luxury apartments.

### \$1 Million Development Fires

April 22, 2004 SNOHOMISH, WASHINGTON  
On Tuesday, April 20th, two homes were

*The Earth Liberation Front (ELF) is a collective name and set of guidelines some people operate under when defending the wild or attacking industrial civilisation. The ELF is especially active in N.America - with \$100 million of economic sabotage since 1997. These reports are taken from [www.earthliberationfront.com](http://www.earthliberationfront.com).*



destroyed and attempts were made to burn two others at a housing development in the Snohomish area. Total damages were estimated at \$1 million for the two houses burned to the ground. As well, bottles of flammable liquid were found at two different housing development sites on Tuesday and Wednesday, and on at least one occasion a letter claiming responsibility for the ELF was found.

Other occurrences of ELF actions in response to the encroachment of luxury housing on wild space since include fires in San Diego,

California (August 2003); Chico, California (June 2003); Macomb County, Michigan (June 2003), and Superior Township, Michigan (April 2003). A communique sent after the fires in Macomb County read in part, "For too long, we, the people... have allowed our magnificent forests to be levelled and shipped off, our water to be poisoned and now, greed driven developers are trying to marginalize off the last green spaces and habitat of our unknown Edens."

It is clear from past statements and recent actions of the ELF that urban sprawl has become a central issue in the struggle to protect the earth.



# Direct Action Camp Round Up

*Direct action camps continue to be a useful resistance tool for fighting industrial development. This Summer two new camps have been set up (so far) while long running sites stay strong. Get down to the occupations or target a linked company.*

## New Camp at Weymouth

14/7/2004

WEYMOUTH: On 18th December 2003 the Department for Transport gave approval to Dorset county council to build the Weymouth relief road costing £54.6 million. The county council will now draw up its business plan for government approval and commence planning applications. The orange route chosen will go straight through Two Mile coppice which is one of the area's only remaining rare ancient woodlands. Breeding grounds for bats and voles will be destroyed.

Two Mile coppice is rich in a variety of trees which includes Pedunculate Oak Quercus, Ash, Field Maple, Hawthorn, Hazel, Guelder Rose, and Holly. Areas under threat if this road were to be built are extensive and include the Dorset Downs, Heaths and Coast AONB and Lorton Valley SSSI (which includes ancient woodland). In June 1996 Weymouth Relief Road protesters set up Teddy Bear Camp in opposition to the 'brown route' of Weymouth 'relief' road. A decade later on July 12th, 2004 protesters set up camp at Two Mile Coppice in opposition to the now approved 'orange route'. Protesters at Two Mile coppice urgently need your help, please get down there if you can.

Directions: Two Mile Coppice is just off a roundabout where Dorchester road meets Weymouth way A354 (Weymouth), go underneath railway bridge and Two Mile coppice is directly facing left. Nearest railway station is Weymouth which is a brisk 15 minute walk south from Two Mile Coppice.

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**Thursday 30th July 2004:** Diggers now widening path to site, could be prep work or something more sinister, please get down there if you can.

## New Camp at Stansted

In what could be an even larger battle than that against the expansion of Manchester Airport a camp has now sprung up against the new runway at Stansted. Threatened are woodlands, houses - all sites for future occupation. Even more than roads, anti-airport struggles are central to the battle around climate change. The campaign started off with a good edge with an occupation of the BAA offices in January. This campaign is one to watch ... and take part in!

More info: [LondonEarthFirst@london@zipplp.com](mailto:LondonEarthFirst@london@zipplp.com)

## Nine Ladies

The site at Nine Ladies has existed since Autumn 1999 to stop the planned quarrying of Stanton Moor. In the Peak District National Park this is key and winnable campaign. The defenses are impressive. Get down there! Directions: Catch the R61 or Transpeak bus to Rowsley (Peacock Hotel). Turn left following sign for Stanston-in-Peak. Keep on till junction, then sharp left hand turn to Stanton Lees.

Carry on past phone box and on...

Grid Reference SK247634

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[www.nineladies.uklinux.net](http://www.nineladies.uklinux.net)

## Sherwood Green

The Mansfield Woodhouse/Sherwood Forest camp looks like its on the brink of victory... but information could still come any day.

More Info: Sumac - 0845 458 9595

## Bilston Glen

The site at Bilston Glen is to stop the 'realign-ment' of the A701 which will destroy mature woodland and lead to further (GM and Cop) industrialisation. They recently held a successful Green Anarchy gathering.

Bilston 8 miles south of Edinburg, follow foot-path opposite the VW garage. 07986 632 429

[www.bilstonglen-abs.org.uk](http://www.bilstonglen-abs.org.uk)

## Faslane Peace Camp

At 21 years, the longest running camp in UK - against the Faslane Nuclear Sub Base. It's right outside the base, 20 miles west of Glasgow. 01436 820 901

[www.faslanepeacecamp.org.uk](http://www.faslanepeacecamp.org.uk)





## Sainsbury's Depots Blockaded

*On the first night of July, Sainsbury's five biggest chilled goods depots in the country were simultaneously shut down.*

The aim: to halt distribution of dairy products from cows raised on GM feed, and celebrate a new alliance between some farmers and some environmentalists.

After winning the battle to prevent all domestic growing of GM crops, the sights are now set on the last remaining source of GMOs in our food system: imported GM animal feed. Across the country the same quick operation took place: protesters locked on to distribution centres main gates, and used arm-tubes and tripods to block the access roads. Within minutes lorries were forming long queues on the motorways, and turning back without delivering their payloads. In North London, Sainsbury's vast state of the art distribution centre at

Waltham Point was shut down for over two hours. South Yorkshire's distribution centre was successfully blockaded for nearly six hours. In Birmingham and Bristol activists arrived to discover the depots heavily policed, but after some cat-and-mouse manoeuvres both were blockaded all the same. Near Liverpool there was a successful four hour blockade. [www.geneticsaction.org.uk](http://www.geneticsaction.org.uk)

## London Rising Tide Targets BP

*Rising Tide is campaigning against BP as both target and platform for climate change conflict.*

Police used stop and search powers on almost anyone that moved around the Oil Festival Hall (OFH) on April 15th in an intimidatory operation to protect the BP AGM from protesters. Despite small numbers, the protest kept up a constant level of noise with a sound system providing activist songs between live acts and speakers, as well as some rousing samba from the Rhythms of Resistance band. As well as London Rising Tide, there was a presence from the Colombia Solidarity Campaign, Platform

and London Earth First!, as well as several other friends. For LRT it was another step in the slow but hopefully useful strategy of making BP persona non grata in London's top cultural institutions. June saw a week of resistance to BP And Big Oil in London. A space was squatted especially for the event, hosting an alternative art gallery (NOT sponsored by BP) and acting as a base for a number of actions. Here are just some! On Tuesday 22nd a protest was called during the BP sponsored awards ceremony at the Portrait Gallery. As protestors gathered four Rising Tide activists chained themselves across the door effectively shutting down the National Portrait Gallery. On Wednesday 16th climate change activists and artists held a 'Greenwash or US' Street Party outside BP HQ, many carrying artworks revealing a true portrait of an oil company. The street party then marched to the private view of the BP sponsored National Portrait Gallery Awards. When protestors moved towards the entrance of the Gallery, police moved in. London Rising Tide: 07969 786770 [www.burningplanet.net](http://www.burningplanet.net) [www.risingtide.org.uk](http://www.risingtide.org.uk)



## Prisoners of War

*As the movements to defend wildness and freedom grow, so do the inevitable prisoner lists. It's ALL our responsibility to support our caged friends. While there are many prisoners this issue we decided to concentrate on one bit of news - the capture of Tre Arrow. Full prisoner lists can be got from the contacts below.*

### Tre Arrow

After being on the FBI's most wanted list for over a year Tree Arrow has been arrested. Canadian authorities are trying to extradite him to the USA where he could face 80 years in prison. Tre is well admired for his passion to defend the planet; on one occasion he sat on a nine-inch ledge for 11 days to draw attention to the logging of Eagle Creek near Portland. Whilst on the ledge he spoke to thousands of people who had come to see him.

After the victory at Eagle Creek in October 2001 Tre turned his attention to Oregon State Lands in the Coast Range. He climbed a Western Hemlock in an attempt to save it from the saw. Rather than moving on to the next tree the sheriff ordered his men to surround the tree whilst training his rifle on him. They surrounded the tree for 48 hours with searchlights and blaring music to deprive Tre of sleep, after which time Tre nodded off and fell 75 feet breaking his pelvis, collarbone and a rib, which punctured his lung.

Back in June 2001 a logger truck was burnt out in Eagle Creek; an act that no one claimed responsibility for. There had been some other acts of sabotage that were attributed to the ELF. According to the FBI, Jacob Sherman admitted to both acts of sabotage to his girlfriend who (duh!) then told her father - a deputy

state fire marshal. Sherman faced years in prison and was offered a deal by the FBI to claim that Tre was the arson ringleader who beguiled him into these wayward acts. In August 2002 an indictment was issued against Tre Sherman for 41 months in prison; they plastered pictures of Tre around every post office in the country and offered a 25,000-dollar reward.

In August 2002 a USFS research laboratory was burnt down with an alleged statement from the ELF stating "while innocent life will never be harmed in any action we undertake, where it is necessary, we will no longer hesitate to pick up the gun to implement justice". The FBI then said that Tre Arrow had been seen in the area. To date the FBI have been unable to prove this claim. Tre has issued this statement from prison in Canada:

"I am doing well and am grateful for the overwhelming love and support pouring in from all over the world. I have been on hunger strike since my arrest on March 13, which involves consuming only water. The two main reasons for this hunger strike are; firstly, to protest this incarceration and the lack of justice within the US judicial system; and secondly, to show a token of solidarity to all those suffering around the world as a result of corporate agendas which leave in their wake poisoned water, contaminated air, and a lack of adequate food. I have been a long-term activist for human, non-human, animal and environmental issues. My involvement in peaceful, non-violent activism is well documented. Any attempt to label me as the 't' word is only an effort to discredit my reputation and detract from the effective campaigns I have been involved with".

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If you know of any changes to this list please tell us! If there is not a group in your area get together with a couple of your mates and call yourself EFI! That is what everyone here has done. [www.earthfirst.org.uk](http://www.earthfirst.org.uk)

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## DoT Anti-Road Threat

Road-protestors visited the Department for Transport at on Wednesday 21st July to deliver a letter stating that Labour's road building plans will be met by resurgent protests.

"During the 1990's large-scale protests laid siege to road developments, leading to a major shift in transport policy. We are not prepared to let those gains be sacrificed; if you plan new road building, expect protests of the same commitment.

Protests will follow these roads every step of the way. Accompanying this letter is a bicycle d-lock. This is a reminder of the road protests of the 1990's, when we used such locks to disrupt road building by attaching ourselves to bulldozers and other construction machinery." This threat was delivered by people from each of the following struggles: Twyford Down, Oxleas Wood, M11, Newbury Bypass, Fairmile, BNRR, Stanworth Valley, Solsbury Hill, Wyndham, Salisbury, Jesmond Dene, and Blackwood.



## NO More Logging in the Aussie Forests



Activists occupied the Australian Consular Offices in Manchester in a action against old growth logging in Australia

After seeing the destruction caused by logging in areas such as Victoria and Tasmania activists in the UK decided to target the Australian consulate to show that this is an international issue as important as the logging

of the Amazon. We aim to carry on this campaign and highlight the fact that Australia's claim to be a land of unspoilt wilderness is really just greenwash.

Australia is home to some amazing areas of 'old growth' rainforest, which have remained relatively unaltered by humans for thousands of years. Now, it is being felled at an alarming rate, even in supposedly 'protected' areas. There are huge campaigns against this logging in Australia, involving direct action blockades, tree-sits, marches and rallies, lobbying, and more. We are in solidarity with these campaigns. We will be campaigning in Britain with the same demand  
-LEAVE THE ANCIENT FORESTS ALONE!  
More info: [www.ecorevoltforests.org.au](http://www.ecorevoltforests.org.au)

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